

From: Chang, Cindy <Cindy.Chang@latimes.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2018 3:50 PM
To: Jon Peters
Cc: Joshua Rubenstein; Jorge Villegas
Subject: RE: Command and Control Training Bulletin

Excellent, thank you!

Cindy Chang
Staff writer, Los Angeles Times
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From: Jon Peters [mailto:25750@lapd.online]
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2018 3:49 PM
To: Chang, Cindy
Cc: Joshua Rubenstein; Jorge Villegas
Subject: Fw: Command and Control Training Bulletin

Cindy,

As a follow up to our conversation, I have verified that the Command and Control Training Bulletin has been formally published and distributed. Attached is a copy for your review. Don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or need any clarification.

Jon

JON F. PETERS, Deputy Chief
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From: Owen Berger
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2018 3:00 PM
To: Jon Peters
Subject: Command and Control Training Bulletin

The published version is attached, Sir.

Sergeant Owen Berger, #37319
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"If we take care of the moments, the years will take care of themselves." - Maria Edgeworth

From: Joshua Cain <jcain@scng.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2018 2:20 PM
To: Joshua Rubenstein
Subject: Seeking info about calls to Van Nuys homeless outreach center

Hi Josh, good meeting you today. Are you able to get me information about how many recent calls for service have been made to the location of the Van Nuys OIS in June?

The name of the center is Hope of the Valley Rescue Mission. The address is 6425 Tyrone Avenue.

Thanks,

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Josh Cain
Crime and Public Safety Reporter
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From: Brenda Gazzar <bgazzar@scng.com>
Sent: Tuesday, July 31, 2018 10:44 AM
To: Joshua Rubenstein
Cc: PIO;Maureen Ryan;Jorge Rodriguez;John Sherman
Subject: Re: urgent re; possible Chaminade College Prep High School arrest?

Hello, have any arrests or other developments been made in this case involving the reported videotaping of a sex act at Chaminade?

Thank you.

Brenda

On Mon, Mar 26, 2018 at 10:46 AM, Joshua N Rubenstein <n5373@lapd.online> wrote:
Brenda-

I can only tell you there is still an active investigation, however since individuals involved are minors and there are no arrests that is the only information I can provide at this time.

Josh Rubenstein
Public Information Director
Los Angeles Police Department
@pdpiojosh #ItsOurLAStory

On Mar 26, 2018, at 9:37 AM, Brenda Gazzar <bgazzar@scng.com> wrote:

Hello:

I'm hearing that a student (believed to be 18 years old) at Chaminade College Preparatory High School in West Hills may have been arrested last week for capturing on video a freshman girl giving him oral sex in the boy's locker room while other boys were there?

I'm also hearing that there may have been a Snapchat account dedicated to such videos that several students may have been involved with?

Can you please give me any details that you can about this incident, including the names (if adults) and ages of all the suspects involved? If any arrests were made and when and for what? Also, if the DA has charged anyone yet for this?

I understand the West Valley division employees are on training today, but hoping to get as much detail today as possible by 4 p.m.. (since rumors are going around)

Thank you very much.

From: Joshua Rubenstein
Sent: Monday, July 30, 2018 6:26 PM
To: Agrawal, Nina
Cc: Patricia Sandoval
Subject: Re: request for comment re: courthouse recordings

Nina

Here's the statement

"As a result of a kidnap investigation LAPD Detectives placed recoding devices in a holding cell of the court with the intention of recording a specific inmate to inmate conversation. The action was legal and was supported by the District Attorneys Office."

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Thank you,

Nina Agrawal

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From: Chang, Cindy <Cindy.Chang@latimes.com>
Sent: Monday, July 30, 2018 5:25 PM
To: Patricia Sandoval
Cc: Joshua Rubenstein;Chris Ramirez
Subject: Re: recruiting black officers

Sounds good, thanks.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 30, 2018, at 5:05 PM, Patricia Sandoval <25981@lapd.online> wrote:

Hi Cindy,

Thank you for reaching out. I will discuss with Josh and we can determine who would be best suited for an interview(s).

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To: Joshua Rubenstein
Subject: Re: Sun Valley fire

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Is there a different aspect to this that I can get information on, perhaps, separate from the investigation of the fire itself?

Namely whether HOPE Team officers were there or have been to that site since or soon after the fire? I'd like to maybe accompany the team or the officers to see what happens in the aftermath of a fire like this.

And for that matter, have LAPD officers been called to that encampment very much in the recent months or years in the time that it's existed? And why have they needed to go to that site? What types of crimes if any have been reported?

Liz

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Here's the number for the July 15th incident: DR180914369

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On Jul 27, 2018, at 7:41 AM, Joshua Rubenstein <n5373@lapd.online> wrote:

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James Queally

Reporter

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213-265-6529

From: Dolan, Jack <John.Dolan@latimes.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 26, 2018 3:36 PM
To: Joshua Rubenstein
Subject: Leave with pay?

Hi Josh,

Looking at LAPD payroll data, seeing a lot of "leave with pay" for officers and command staff. Can you explain what kinds of situations warrant people taking paid time off that aren't covered by other kinds of leave: IOD, sick, vacation....etc?

I'm at 213-237-5112 if you have any questions.

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From: Queally, James <James.Queally@latimes.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 26, 2018 10:28 AM
To: PIO;Joshua Rubenstein;Patricia Sandoval
Subject: Cadets Story

Morning folks:

James Queally over at The Times. I'm working on a follow-up story about the theft of LAPD property and equipment by former cadets in 2017, and will need a response to the below questions by close of business today.

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To: Joshua Rubenstein
Cc: Patricia Sandoval
Subject: Re: new less-lethal weapon

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Sent from my iPhone

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To: Chang, Cindy; Joshua Rubenstein
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Cindy,

Please re-connect with us next week and we will verify if we can accommodate.

Thank you,

Trish

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Sent: Tuesday, July 24, 2018 5:02 PM
To: Joshua Rubenstein; Patricia Sandoval
Cc: Chris Ramirez
Subject: Re: inquiry re: Damien Ventura

Hi Capt. Sandoval:

I believe the Police Department has previously confirmed that they are investigating this case, and it's known that they were called to the hospital. Can you please tell me simply how I may request the police report?

Thank you,

Nina

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From: Patricia Sandoval
Sent: Tuesday, July 24, 4:00 PM
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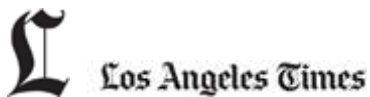
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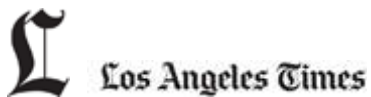
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So he has no useful judgment on that part of it.

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To: Joshua Rubenstein
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Subject: RE: request for comment re: concerns about recordings in courthouse

Would you be able to get back to me by end of day today?

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To: Agrawal, Nina
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Subject: Re: request for comment re: concerns about recordings in courthouse

Nina-

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Josh

Sent from my iPad

On Jul 20, 2018, at 1:35 PM, Agrawal, Nina <Nina.Agrawal@latimes.com> wrote:

OK, thank you. What is the process for getting approval to record those inmate-inmate conversations? Does the department provide inmates or attorneys any kind of notice that they may be recorded? What is the mechanism by which the recording would take place – e.g. wiretap through phones, a surveillance device throughout the room...?

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Nina

The Los Angeles Police Department does not record any conversations between clients and attorneys, however investigators may record inmate to inmate conversations.

Josh

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Hi Josh,

I don't have much in the way of specifics at this point... Does the LAPD have a standing policy under which it might record or partner with other law enforcement officials to

record attorney-client calls in the 14th floor attorney conference room at the Clara Shortridge Foltz building?

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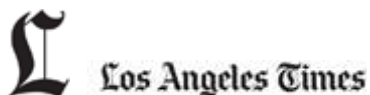
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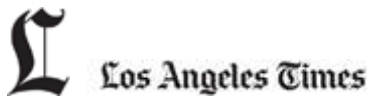
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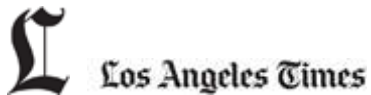
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Sent: Friday, July 20, 2018 10:47 AM
To: Joshua Rubenstein
Subject: Re: Motel on Sepulveda Blvd.

Thank you. I'm not sure if I sent this to you twice, so sorry if that happened. I sent one yesterday to another one I had for you.

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From: Greene, Robert <Robert.Greene@latimes.com>
Sent: Thursday, July 19, 2018 12:29 PM
To: Joshua Rubenstein
Subject: Damian V. child death investigation

Josh:

I am inquiring into the LAPD investigation into the death on July 3 of a 2-year-old male child named Damian V., as reported by the Los Angeles Department of Children and Family Services.

Can you confirm that the LAPD is investigating this death?

Is it a homicide investigation?

Has anyone been arrested or otherwise taken into custody in connection with this death?

In what LAPD division did the death occur?

Thanks for any help you can provide.

Robert

Robert Greene
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From: Patricia Sandoval
Sent: Thursday, July 19, 2018 12:01 PM
To: McCollough, Brady;PIO
Subject: RE: LA Times request for more info on Joseph Lewis IV arrest

Hello Mr McCollough,

My apologies for my delayed response. I've sent your request to our PIO.

Thank you,

PATRICIA A. SANDOVAL, Captain
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From: McCollough, Brady [mailto:brady.mccollough@latimes.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 19, 2018 8:28 AM
To: Patricia Sandoval <25981@lapd.online>
Subject: LA Times request for more info on Joseph Lewis IV arrest

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The booking number for this arrest is 5370694.

I can be reached at 213-264-2151.

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Hey Josh:

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Mitzi Roberts/Connelly Profile - Just need you or RHD to sign off on giving me access to Mitzi for an interview about her being inspiration for new Connelly character.

Internal Affairs Data - You need to connect me with an analyst so I can make the proper data request

Vigilant/ALPR - You said someone at command level would need to talk to me about who you contract with for LPR and what you do with Vigilant info, correct?

Thanks,
JQ